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## RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

# Annual Report

OF THE

## MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH,

**YEAR 1937.**

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# ANNUAL REPORT
# OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH,
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## To the Chairman and Members of the Long Ashton Rural District Council.

SIR, LADIES, AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present to you my Annual Report on the Health and Sanitary condition of the District during the past year.

The information therein is, as far as possible, in conformity with the requirements of the Minister of Health, as laid down in Circular 1650.

### STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS.

Area: 46,515 acres.
Population (Census 1931): 20,378.
Population (Registrar General's Estimate to the middle of 1937): 19,540.
Number of Inhabited Houses (according to Rate Books) to end of 1937: 5,933.
Rateable Value: £160,070.
Sum represented by a Penny Rate: £624.

There are no important changes to note in the social conditions, occupations of the inhabitants, or general characteristics of the District.

## VITAL STATISTICS.

### BIRTHS.

| | Total | M. | F. | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Live Births—Legitimate ... | 269 | 145 | 124 | Birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population : 14.12 |
| Illegitimate .. | 7 | 5 | 2 | |
| Totals | 276 | 150 | 126 | |
| Still Births—Legitimate ... | 12 | 6 | 6 | Still birth rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births : 41.6. |
| Illegitimate .. | — | — | — | |
| Totals | 12 | 6 | 6 | |

### DEATHS.

| Total | M. | F. | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 224 | 99 | 125 | Death Rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population : 11.4. |

Deaths from puerperal causes (headings 29 and 30 of the Registrar General's short list) :

| | Deaths | Rate per 1,000 total (Live and Still) Births |
|---|---|---|
| 29—Puerperal Sepsis ... | 1 | |
| 30—Other Puerperal Causes | Nil | 3·4 |

Death Rates of Infants under 1 year of age : Total deaths : 15
,, all Infants per 1,000 live births : 39.8.
,, legitimate Infants per 1,000 legitimate live births : 37.1.
,, illegitimate Infants per 1,000 illegitimate live births : 142.8

| | |
|---|---|
| Deaths from Cancer (all ages) ... ... | 37 |
| ,, Measles (all ages) ... ... | Nil |
| ,, Whooping Cough (all ages) ... | 2 |
| ,, Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) | 1 |

The total of births 276, is 12 more than last year.

The birth rate, 14.12, compares favourably with that for last year (13.5).

The rate for England and Wales this year is 14.9.

The total of deaths, 224, is 46 fewer than last year.

The death rate, 11.4, is also much better than last year (14.3).

The rate for England and Wales this year is 12.4.

The number of persons who died at 70 years of age and over is 90, of whom 6 were over 90, the oldest being 98.

The infant mortality rate, 39.8, compares favourably with the rate for last year, 56.8.

The rate for England and Wales this year is 58.

Of the deaths, 6 were due to premature birth or congenital defects, 2 to bronchitis, 1 to broncho-pneumonia, and 1 to whooping cough.

## CAUSES OF DEATH.

| | |
|---|---|
| Diphtheria ... ... | 3 |
| Whooping Cough ... | 2 |
| Diarrhoea (under 2 years of age) | 1 |
| Encephalitis Lethargica | 1 |
| Cerebro-Spinal Fever .. | 1 |
| Puerperal Fever ... | 1 |
| Influenza ... ... | 6 |
| Tuberculosis (Respiratory) | 7 |
| ,, (other forms) | 1 |
| Pneumonia (all forms) | 4 |
| Bronchitis ... ... | 8 |
| Other Respiratory Diseases | 2 |
| Heart Disease ... | 53 |
| Other Circulating Diseases | 15 |
| Cerebral Haemorrhage and Embolism | 12 |
| Cancer ... ... | 37 |
| Peptic Ulcer ... ... | 2 |
| Appendicitis ... ... | 2 |
| Other Digestive Diseases | 6 |
| Acute and Chronic Nephritis | 8 |
| Diabetes ... ... | 5 |
| Senility ... ... | 9 |
| Congenital Debility, Premature Birth, etc. | 6 |
| Other Defined Diseases | 16 |
| Suicide ... ... | 3 |
| Other forms of Violence (accidents, etc.) | 10 |

# PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

## NOTIFIABLE DISEASES.

| Disease | Notifications | Removed to Hospital | Deaths |
|---|---|---|---|
| Scarlet Fever ... ... | 18 | 10 | — |
| Diphtheria ... ... | 11 | 10 | 3 |
| Enteric Fever ... ... | 1 | 1 | — |
| Erysipelas ... ... | 4 | — | — |
| Cerebro-Spinal Fever ... | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Encephalitis Lethargica ... | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Dysentery ... ... | 1 | 1 | — |
| Pneumonia ... ... | 7 | 1 | 4 |
| Puerperal Fever ... ... | 1 | — | 1 |
| Totals ... ... | 45 | 25 | 10 |

The incidence of scarlet fever has been much reduced, there being only 18 notifications, compared with 140 last year. Diphtheria has also been much less prevalent, only 11 cases having been notified, as against 28 last year. The case notified as enteric fever was found not to be that disease. The Council's Isolation Hospital has not been so fully occupied this year, and it is hoped that the arrangement to send all infectious cases to the Bristol Isolation Hospital at Ham Green will come into force early in 1938, when this Hospital will be closed.

The following details show the use made of the Hospital during the year :—

| | Scarlet Fever | Diphtheria | Diphtheria and Scarlet Fever combined |
|---|---|---|---|
| Cases in Hospital on December 31st, 1936 | 1 | 1 | 3 |
| Cases admitted to Hospital during 1937 | 9 | 12 | — |
| Cases discharged from Hospital during 1937 | 10 | 10 | 3 |
| Cases died in Hospital during 1937 | — | 3 | — |
| Cases remaining in Hospital on December 31st, 1937 | — | — | — |

All deaths were of patients not seen by a Medical Man till they had been ill 3 or 4 days.

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I am indebted to Dr. R. F. White and the Matron for the above figures.

## TUBERCULOSIS.

| | | Pulmonary | Non-Pulmonary | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Notifications | ... | 13 | 7 | 20 |
| Deaths | ... | 7 | 4 | 11 |

The number of notifications is 1 less than last year, and the number of deaths also 1 less. There is no complaint as to neglect of notification, and there has been no need to take action under the Public Health (Prevention of Tuberculosis) Regulation, 1925, or under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1925.

Health visiting and Sanitorium treatment are under the control of the County Authority. Tuberculosis Dispensaries for this district are now at the Central Health Clinic, Bristol, and at Clevedon.

TUBERCULOSIS NOTIFICATIONS AND DEATHS IN AGE PERIODS.

| Age Periods | Notifications | | | | Deaths | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | |
| | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F |
| 1st Year ... | | | | | | | | |
| 1 to 5 Years ... | | | 3 | 1 | | | 1 | 1 |
| 5 to 15 ,, ... | | | 1 | 1 | | | | 1 |
| 15 to 25 ,, ... | 3 | 4 | | 1 | 1 | 1 | | |
| 25 to 35 ,, ... | | | | | 1 | | | |
| 35 to 45 ,, ... | 1 | 1 | | | | 2 | | |
| 45 to 55 ,, ... | 2 | 1 | | | | 2 | | 1 |
| 55 to 65 ,, ... | 1 | | | | | | | |
| 65 and over ... | | | | | | | | |
| Totals ... | 7 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 3 |

## GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE DISTRICT.

Details of the following Services were given in the Report for 1930:—

Nursing in the Home, District Nursing Associations, Midwives, Clinics and Treatment Centres for Maternity and Infant Welfare, School Clinics, Treatment Centres for Venereal Diseases, Nursing and Maternity Homes, Provision for Mental Defectives, and Hospital Facilities.

There are no changes to report.

## LEGISLATION IN FORCE IN THE AREA.

The Council repealed their Bye-laws made on the 23rd March, 1923, with respect to New Streets and Buildings. They made Bye-laws with respect to New Buildings and certain matters in connection with buildings, which came into force on the 1st February, 1937. Separate Bye-laws were made in respect of New Streets, and these also came into force on the 1st February, 1937.

These are the only changes from the list given in the 1930 Report.

## WATER SUPPLY.

Detailed accounts have been given in the Survey Report for 1925 and the 1930 Report. Extensions and alterations have been given in subsequent Reports. During this year the following improvements have been made :—

Kenn. The extension of the Clevedon Water Company's main to this parish has been completed.

Yatton. The new borehole at Claverham has been completed and the pumping machinery fixed. An additional main to improve the supply to Cleeve, a portion of this parish, is being considered.

Winford. This scheme is completed. The mains serve Potters Hill, Upper Felton, Felton Street, and Felton Common. Old Hill, Kingdown, Parsonage Lane, and the village of Winford.

The Clutton Rural District Council, in supplying one of their parishes, brought their main through this parish at Dewdown and arranged to supply houses in the vicinity within the parish of Winford. This arrangement was very fortunate as the houses were on the extreme edge of the parish.

North Weston and Weston-in-Gordano. The existing mains in the village of Weston-in-Gordano and the part of North Weston which lies contiguous thereto, have been taken over from Lieut.-Col. Sir Charles W. Miles, Bart., by agreement. The water is obtained from a supply belonging to him at Walton-in-Gordano. The Clevedon Road and Honeylands portions of North Weston parish will not benefit by this supply but negotiations are proceeding with the Portishead Water Company to provide this area with water.

Wraxall. The Bristol Water Company have completed mains to supply the "60 Acres" Estate in this parish and the Portishead Water Company are taking water from this Company and are laying mains to Failand House and Failand Hill.

Kingston Seymour. Negotiations are proceeding to obtain a supply for this parish from Yatton.

Easton-in-Gordano. The Markham district of this parish is still greatly in need of a satisfactory water supply.

Nailsea. The west end of this parish particularly, and the portion known as "The Grove," needs an improved water supply, and it would be possible to provide it by extension of the Bristol Water Company's mains to this district.

With the above exceptions the Long Ashton Rural District is well provided with water supplies.

Forty-eight samples of water were taken for bacteriological examination during the year.

## DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.

No new Sewage Disposal Works have been put in hand during the year.

A sewer extension at Bishops Road, Cleeve, Yatton, has been completed to develop a new building estate. The developing owner making a substantial contribution towards the cost. This sewer is available for other users who do not contribute.

At Long Ashton the Ashton Court Estate have laid a considerable length of sewers for the purpose of building development.

Nailsea. There is a need for a small sewage system at the Kings Hill and Union Street area of the parish. The other portions of this parish in my opinion do not require a sewage system unless a large building development occurs.

Weston Road and Honeylands area of North Weston is in need of a Sewage Disposal System and this is being considered by the Council.

WINFORD. I consider that Winford village needs a Sewerage System to prevent pollution of a stream.

The provisions of the Town Planning Act should render further comprehensive Sewerage Schemes unnecessary. Building development should occur where sewers are at present available or buildings should be restricted to a low density.

## RIVERS AND STREAMS.

There are no fresh developments, and marked improvement in the rivers and streams has occurred in recent years.

## CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| No. of Dwellings with water closets | ... | ... | ... | 4614 |
| do. do. earth or chemical closets | ... | | | 622 |
| do. do. privies | ... | ... | ... | 682 |

The abolition of privies and conversion to earth closets and water closets still continues, but progress is rather slow. Water closets with automatic flushing apparatus are insisted upon, wherever possible.

The cleansing of cesspools is done either by the owner or occupier and not by the local authority.

## PUBLIC CLEANSING.

There has been no change to record this year.

The Council intend to go into the question of a System of House Refuse Collection for the entire district, and will consider providing their own staff to do this work, as advocated in my last year's Report. I am still far from satisfied with the present arrangements.

## SCHOOLS.

There are 25 in this area. There has been no cause for complaint as to the sanitary condition of any of them.

## SHOPS.

No complaints have been received of breaches of the Shop Act, 1934.

## SANITARY INSPECTION.

The Staff consists of three Sanitary Inspectors and one Clerical Assistant.

The Sanitary Inspector's Report shows the various forms of inspections made.

# SANITARY INSPECTOR'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR, 1937.

## LONG ASHTON RURAL DISTRICT, Somerset.

| | | 1937 |
|---|---|---|
| **Inspections** | No. of Complaints received during the year ... ... | 116 |
| | No. of Houses, Premises, etc., Inspected ... ... | 2406 |
| | No. of Re-Visits to see that work has been carried out, or for other reasons ... ... ... ... | 1554 |
| | No. of Houses Disinfected, or to which Disinfectants were supplied ... ... ... ... ... | 81 |
| | No. of Visits to cases of Infectious Disease ... ... | 86 |
| | Tuberculosis—Disinfections 11, Visits 15. | |
| **Sewers** | No. of New Sewers laid down by Builder ... ... | 4 |
| | No. of Sewers Cleansed or Repaired ... ... ... | 6 |
| | No. of Visits to Sewage Works, Cesspools, etc. ... | 151 |
| **House Drains.** | No. of Existing Houses Connected to Sewers ... ... | 27 |
| | No. Repaired or Cleansed ... ... ... ... | 7 |
| | No. Re-laid (piped) ... ... ... ... | 4 |
| | No. of New Pipe Drains Laid ... ... ... ... | 193 |
| **Earth Closets, Cesspools and W.C.'s** | No. of Privies abolished ... ... ... ... | 17 |
| | No. of Cesspools Cleansed or Re-constructed ... ... | 3 |
| | No. of New Cesspools ... ... ... ... | 74 |
| | No. of Cesspools abolished ... ... ... ... | 14 |
| | No. of New W.C.'s (not including new houses) ... | 46 |
| | No. of New W.C. Pans or Repairs ... ... ... | 7 |
| | No. of New E.C.'s Constructed ... ... ... ... | 4 |
| **New Houses.** | No. of New Houses Completed and Occupied ... ... | 134 |
| | No. of New Houses supplied by Company's Water ... | 124 |
| | No. of New Houses supplied by Wells or Cisterns ... | 10 |
| **Water Supply.** | No. of Samples of Water taken for Examination ... | 48 |
| | No. of Existing Houses supplied with Company's Water | 131 |
| | No. of New Wells ... ... ... ... ... | 3 |
| | No. of Wells or Cisterns Cleansed or Repaired ... | 4 |
| | No. of Dairies, Cowsheds and Milk Shops Inspect ... | 410 |
| | No. of Bakehouses Inspected ... ... ... ... | 18 |
| | No. of Slaughter-houses Inspected ... ... ... | 12 |
| | No. of Workshops Inspected ... ... ... ... | 81 |
| | No. of Factories Inspected ... ... ... ... | 12 |
| | Steam Disinfector—Occasions Used ... .. ... | 1 |
| | No. of Statutory Notices Served ... ... ... | 1 |
| | Ministry of Health Inquiries held ... ... ... | 6 |
| | Legal Proceedings taken ... ... ... ... | 1 |

## HOUSING.

The Housing Committee has been very fully occupied again this year in dealing with many problems of slum clearance and reconditioning of defective houses. The appointment of an additional Sanitary Inspector has made it possible to carry out more inspection and supervision than in previous years, but there are many difficult problems to deal with, which render progress slower than could be desired. Sixty houses were scheduled last year for demolition and are still occupied, waiting for new houses to be built, and there are now 25 more houses on which Demolition Orders are operative.

The number of houses demolished during the year is 22.

Four clearance areas involving 20 houses were submitted to the Minister of Health for confirmation during this year. After a Public Enquiry, the Minister confirmed the Orders after omitting one house, and in the case of another house, which, though unfit, had been well maintained, the Council was instructed to pay compensation in respect of this house.

The areas were as follows :—

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Highridge Common, | Bishopsworth, | involving | 4 | houses |
| North Weston, | No. 1 area, | do. | 7 | do. |
| do. | No. 2 area, | do. | 5 | do. |
| do. | No. 3 area, | do. | 3 | do. |

## HOUSING (Rural Workers) ACTS, 1926 and 1931.

The Acts are administered by the County Council, but the co-operation of the District Council has been invited. Efforts are continually being made to persuade owners to avail themselves of the assistance given under these Acts. The County Sanitary Inspector, with special knowledge of the problem, has given great assistance in this work and his advice has been much appreciated. Two houses have been reconditioned with assistance under this Act. A grant to assist the reconditioning

of 7 houses has been authorized, and schemes are being prepared for 11 other houses. One application for a grant has been refused.

The number of new houses built during the year is 134, all by private enterprise.

## HOUSES ERECTED DURING 1937.

| Parish | By private enterprise | By Council (erected & occupied) |
|---|---|---|
| Abbots Leigh ... ... | 5 | — |
| Backwell ... ... | 16 | — |
| Bishopsworth ... ... | 38 | — |
| Clapton-in-Gordano ... ... | 2 | — |
| Easton-in-Gordano ... ... | 2 | — |
| Flax Bourton ... ... | 1 | — |
| Long Ashton ... ... | 8 | — |
| Nailsea ... ... | 17 | — |
| North Weston ... ... | 7 | — |
| Portbury ... ... | 2 | — |
| Tickenham ... ... | 5 | — |
| Winford ... ... | 1 | — |
| Wraxall ... ... | 3 | — |
| Yatton ... ... | 27 | — |
| Total | 134 | — |

## SECTION D. HOUSING.

1.—Inspection of Dwelling-houses during the year :—

(1) (A) Total number of dwelling houses inspected for housing defects ... ... ... 268
(under Public Health or Housing Acts).

(B) Number of Inspections made for the purpose 815

(2) (A) Number of dwelling-houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925 ... ... ... 247

(B) Number of Inspections made for the purpose 749

(3) Number of Dwelling-houses found to be in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation ... ... 61

(4) Number of dwelling-houses (exclusive of those referred to under the preceding sub-head) found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation ... 116

2.—Remedy of Defects during the Year without Service of formal notices :—

Number of defective dwelling-houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or their officers ... ... ... ... 60

3.—Action under Statutory Powers during the Year :—

(A).—Proceedings under Sections 9, 10 and 16 of the Housing Act, 1936.

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs Nil

(2) Number of dwelling-houses which were rendered fit after service of formal notices :

(a) By owners ... ... ... Nil

(b) By Local Authority in defau't of owners ... ... ... Nil

(B).—Proceedings under Public Health Acts :—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ... ... ... ... 1

(2) Number of dwelling-houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices :

(a) By owners ... ... ... ... Nil

(b) By Local Authority in default of owners ... ... ... ... Nil

(C).—Proceedings under Sections 11 and 13 of the Housing Act, 1936:—

(1) Number of dwelling-houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made ... 25

(2) Number of dwelling-houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ... ... 22

(D).—Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act, 1936:—

(1) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made ... ... ... Nil

(2) Number of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were determined. The tenement or room having been rendered fit ... ... Nil

4.—Housing Act, 1936. Part IV.—Overcrowding:—

(A) (i.) Number of dwellings overcrowded at the end of the year ... ... ... 34

(ii.) Number of families dwelling therein ... 34

(iii.) Number of persons dwelling therein ... 256

(B).—Number of new cases of overcrowding reported during the year ... ... ... ... Nil

(C). (i.) Number of cases of overcrowding relieved during the year ... ... ... ... 1

(ii.) Number of persons concerned in such cases 4

(D).—Particulars of any cases in which dwelling-houses have again become overcrowded after the Local Authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding ... ... Nil

# INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

## MILK.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| No. of Producers on the Register | ... ... | 424 |
| ,, Distributors only | ... ... | 43 |
| ,, Distributors who are also Producers | ... | 63 |
| ,, Producers of Tuberculin Tested Milk | | 4 |
| ,, Producers of Accredited Milk | ... ... | 29 |

In this District the principal collectors of milk are the Bristol Co-operative Society and Messrs. Hornby's Dairies, Ltd., Bristol. The milk supplied by these firms is pasteurised.

During the year 82 samples of Accredited milk and 24 samples of Tuberculin Tested Milk were taken and examined at the County Laboratory. 31 samples of mixed milk were taken during the year and examined at the County Laboratory for the presence of tubercle bacilli. The presence of tubercle bacilli was found in one of these samples.

During the year one new cowshed has been built and improvement made to four other sheds.

## MEAT.

### CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

| | Cattle (excluding Cows) | Cows | Calves | Sheep and Lambs | Pigs |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number killed (estimated) ... ... | 849 | 51 | 702 | 4152 | 1568 |
| Number inspected ... ... | 219 | 12 | 175 | 1038 | 392 |
| All Diseases except Tuberculosis:— | | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned ... ... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ... ... | 30 | 3 | 0 | 75 | 12 |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis ... ... | 13.7 | 25.0 | 0.0 | 7.2 | 3.0 |
| Tuberculosis Only:— | | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned ... ... | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ... ... | 20 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 7 |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis ... ... | 9.5 | 16.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 1.7 |

### Slaughter Houses.

There are 11 slaughter houses, all of which are carried on in a satisfactory manner.

## BAKEHOUSES.

There are eighteen of these in the district. All are well kept.

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There has been considerable improvement in the Sanitary Condition of the district during recent years, especially in respect to the housing of working classes, improved water supplies to scattered areas and sewage disposal systems, and further progress has been made this year. There is a great increase in the amount of work involved in inspection and supervision of milk supplies, and work in connection with the Housing Acts continues to occupy a large portion of the time and energies of the Sanitary Staff.

I desire, once more, to tender my thanks to the Chairman and Members of your Council for their continued confidence and support, and to the Officers of the Health and other Departments for their willing assistance and co-operation.

I am,

Your obedient servant,

HERBERT NEWSCOME.

## LONG ASHTON RURAL DISTRICT.

| Parish | Rateable Value at 31st March, 1938. | Inhabited Houses 1937 | Product of Penny Rate |
|---|---|---|---|
| | £ | | £ |
| Abbots Leigh ... ... ... | 5,348 | 134 | 21 |
| Backwell ... ... ... | 12,806 | 518 | 50 |
| Barrow Gurney ... ... ... | 19,727 | 70 | 82 |
| Bishopsworth ... ... ... | 9,548 | 541 | 33 |
| Brockley ... ... ... | 8,877 | 46 | 37 |
| Clapton-in-Gordano ... ... | 917 | 57 | 4 |
| Dundry ... ... ... | 3,650 | 226 | 15 |
| Easton-in-Gordano ... ... | 11,570 | 690 | 43 |
| Flax Bourton ... ... ... | 2,177 | 58 | 9 |
| Kenn ... ... ... | 824 | 65 | 4 |
| Kingston Seymour ... ... | 812 | 57 | 4 |
| Long Ashton ... ... ... | 30,766 | 706 | 124 |
| Nailsea ... ... ... | 11,644 | 672 | 42 |
| North Weston ... ... ... | 5,012 | 426 | 20 |
| Portbury ... ... ... | 6,125 | 120 | 21 |
| Tickenham ... ... ... | 2,848 | 153 | 11 |
| Walton-in-Gordano ... ... | 1,088 | 93 | 4 |
| Weston-in-Gordano ... ... | 950 | 40 | 4 |
| Winford ... ... ... | 5,126 | 277 | 20 |
| Wraxall ... ... ... | 5,697 | 321 | 23 |
| Yatton ... ... ... | 14,558 | 663 | 53 |
| Totals ... ... ... | £160,070 | 5,933 | £621 |

# FACTORIES, WORSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health for the year 1937 for the Rural District of Long Ashton, in the County of Somerset, on the administration of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, in connection with Factories, Workshops and Workplaces.

## 1.—INSPECTION OF FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS, AND WORKPLACES,

including Inspection made by Sanitary Inspectors or Inspectors of Nuisances:—

| Premises | No. of Inspections. | Written Notices. | Occupiers prosecuted |
|---|---|---|---|
| Factories (including Factory Laundries) | 34 | 1 | — |
| Workshops (including Workshop Laundries) | 157 | 1 | — |
| Workplaces (other than Outworkers' premises) | — | — | — |
| | — | — | — |
| Total | 191 | 2 | — |
| | — | — | — |

## 2.—DEFECTS FOUND IN FACTORIES, WORKSHOPS AND WORKPLACES.

| Particulars | No. of Defects Found. | No. of Defects Remedied. | Referred to H.M Inspector | No. of offences in respect to which Prosecutions were instituted |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Nuisances under the Public Health Acts:—* | | | | |
| Want of Cleanliness | 1 | 1 | | |
| Want of Ventilation | | | | |
| Overcrowding | | | | |
| Want of drainage of floors | | | | |
| Other Nuisances | | | | |
| Sanitary accommodation— | | | | |
| Insufficient | 1 | 1 | | |
| Unsuitable or defective | | | | |
| Not separate for sexes | | | | |
| Offences under the Factory & Workshop Acts:— | | | | |
| Illegal Occupation of underground Bakehouse (s. 101) | | | | |
| Other Offences (excluding Offences relating to outwork and Offences under the Sections mentioned in the Schedule to the Ministry of Health (Factories and Workshops Transfer of Powers) Orders, 1921 | | | | |
| | — | — | | |
| Total | 2 | 2 | | |

* Included those specified in Sections 2, 3, 7 and 8 of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, as remediable under the Public Health Acts.

OUTWORK IN UNWHOLESOME PREMISES.—Section 108.

| Instances. | Notices Served. | Prosecutions. |
|---|---|---|
| Nil | Nil | Nil |

## DISTRIBUTION OF NOTIFIABLE DISEASES IN THE PARISHES OF THE AREA, 1937.

| Parish | Scarlet Fever | Diphtheria | Erysipelas | Enteric Fever | Cerebro-Spinal Fever | Encephalitis Lethargica | Dysentry | Pneumonia | Puerperal Pyrexia | Tuberculosis | | Totals |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | | | | | Pulmonary | Non-Pulmonary | |
| Abbots Leigh ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 |
| Backwell ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | 2 |
| Barrow Gurney ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 | ... | 2 |
| Bishopsworth ... | 3 | 2 | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6 |
| Brockley ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Clapton-in-Gordano | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Dundry ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 | 1 | 5 |
| Easton-in-Gordano | 7 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4 | ... | ... | 1 | 13 |
| Flax Bourton ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Kenn ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Kingston Seymour | ... | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 2 |
| Long Ashton ... | 3 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 7 |
| Nailsea ... | 2 | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 6 |
| North Weston ... | ... | 2 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 3 |
| Portbury ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 |
| Tickenham ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Walton-in-Gordano | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Weston-in-Gordano | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | ... | 1 |
| Winford ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Wraxall ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 4 |
| Yatton ... | 1 | 4 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2 | ... | 7 |
| Totals ... | 18 | 11 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 13 | 7 | 65 |